



Crop Weather



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OHIO CROP WEATHER HIGHLIGHTS

The average temperature for the State was 71.3 degrees, 0.3 degrees above normal for the week ending Sunday, June 29, 2008. Precipitation averaged 2.39 inches, 1.43 inches above normal. There were 129 modified growing degree days, 16 days below normal.

Reporters rated 3.4 days suitable for fieldwork during the seven-day period ending Friday, June 27, 2008. Topsoil moisture was rated 0 percent very short, 2 percent short, 53 percent adequate, and 45 percent surplus.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork			
	Current Week	Previous Week	Since 1st week of April
	Days	Days	Days
2008	3.4	5.0	42.3
2007	6.0	6.3	64.1
2003-07 Avg.	5.5	4.6	53.1

Topsoil Moisture				
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Current Week	0	2	53	45
Last Week.....	0	3	78	19
Same Week				
Last Year	34	41	24	1
2003-07				
Average	10	20	54	16

FIELD ACTIVITIES AND CROP PROGRESS WEEK ENDING SUNDAY JUNE 29, 2008

It has been an extremely wet week for the majority of operators in the State. Many operators have slowed the pace of baling and cutting hay due to rain. Farm activities for the week include replanting soybeans, sidedressing corn, spraying fertilizer and insecticides, and the start of the winter wheat harvest in southern counties. Reporters in the Northwest district indicate that army worms in winter wheat

fields are under control. Observations of Fusarium head scab have been observed in Northwest district wheat fields. The strawberry harvest is finishing up for most growers, as is the planting of cucumbers. In the Southwest District, tomato and sweet corn harvest have begun.

As of Sunday June 29 **winter wheat** ripe was 14 percent, down 47 points from last year and 15 points below the five-year average. **Soybeans** blooming were at 3 percent, 9 days behind last year and 7 days behind the five-year average. **Oats** headed were at 94 percent, which was five days behind last year, but four days ahead of the five-year average. Oats ripe were at 2 percent, which was 2 points behind last year and 1 point behind the five-year average. Eighty-nine percent of the **cucumber** acreage was planted, compared to 91 percent last year and 78 percent for the five-year average. **Strawberries** harvested were at 87 percent, compared to 95 percent last year and 91 percent for the five-year average.

The first cutting of **alfalfa hay** was reported at 93 percent, compared to 100 percent last year and 92 percent for the five-year average. The alfalfa hay second cutting was reported at 15 percent, 21 percentage points behind last year and 4 percentage points behind the five-year average. Eighty-one percent of the **other hay** first cutting was complete, compared to 100 percent last year and 85 percent for the five-year average. The second cutting of other hay was reported at 5 percent, compared to 22 percent last year and 10 percent for the five-year average.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION

Corn condition was rated at 71 percent in fair-to-good condition, down 5 percentage points from last week. **Hay** condition was rated at 75 percent in fair-to-good condition, unchanged from last week. Eighty-two percent of the **livestock** were in fair-to-good condition, down 1 percentage point from last week. **Oats** condition was rated at 81 percent in fair-to-good condition, compared to 79 percentage points last week. **Pasture** condition was rated at 77 percent in fair-to-good condition, down 2 percentage points from last week. **Soybeans** condition was rated at 72 percent in fair-to-good condition, down 6 percentage points from last week. Seventy-one percent of the **winter wheat** acreage was rated in fair-to-good condition, down 2 percentage points from last week.

PERCENT PROGRESS OF CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, JUNE 29

Crop	2008	2007	2003-2007 Average	Previous Week	
				Ohio	U.S.
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Alfalfa Hay 1st Cutting	93	100	92	89	NA
Alfalfa Hay 2nd Cutting	15	36	19	6	NA
Cucumbers Planted	89	91	78	79	NA
Oats Headed	94	98	88	67	47
Oats Ripe	2	4	3	1	NA
Other Hay 1st Cutting	81	100	85	77	NA
Other Hay 2nd Cutting	5	22	10	1	NA
Soybeans Blooming	3	19	11	NA	2
Strawberries Harvested	87	95	91	71	NA
Winter Wheat Ripe	14	61	29	2	NA

PERCENT CONDITION OF MAJOR CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING JUNE 29						
		Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
		<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CORN	Current Week	3	9	29	42	17
	Previous Week	3	8	31	45	13
	Previous Year.....	5	14	31	39	11
HAY	Current Week	2	8	27	48	15
	Previous Week	2	7	27	48	16
	Previous Year.....	14	27	28	25	6
LIVESTOCK	Current Week	0	1	19	63	17
	Previous Week	0	1	18	65	16
	Previous Year.....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
OATS	Current Week	0	1	21	60	18
	Previous Week	0	8	22	57	13
	Previous Year.....	2	14	32	43	9
PASTURE	Current Week	1	5	28	49	17
	Previous Week	0	4	25	54	17
	Previous Year.....	18	28	27	24	3
SOYBEANS	Current Week	4	11	30	42	13
	Previous Week	3	9	31	47	10
	Previous Year.....	6	16	33	36	9
WINTER WHEAT	Current Week	1	4	21	50	24
	Previous Week	1	4	19	54	22
	Previous Year.....	5	18	42	32	3

WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, JUNE 29										
Region	Temperature		Precipitation				Growing Degree Days ¹			
	Last Week	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.
	<i>Degrees</i>	<i>Degrees</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Days</i>
Northwest	70.5	-0.9	1.95	1.00	12.27	1.67	124	-23	1,079	-14
North Central	70.7	0.0	2.52	1.50	13.30	2.37	125	-18	1,079	21
Northeast	69.8	1.0	2.00	1.06	11.05	0.04	120	-12	1,034	35
West Central	71.3	-0.4	2.09	1.04	15.02	3.31	130	-20	1,145	-8
Central	72.3	0.7	3.58	2.60	15.97	4.28	135	-13	1,204	30
Central Hills	70.5	0.6	3.06	2.10	13.97	2.38	124	-15	1,089	18
Northeast Hills	70.3	0.5	2.51	1.59	11.88	0.53	123	-15	1,085	-5
Southwest	72.6	0.2	1.72	0.83	15.94	3.23	136	-17	1,222	-8
South Central	72.7	0.6	1.79	0.89	15.64	4.28	134	-17	1,261	-7
Southeast	71.8	1.1	2.74	1.76	14.60	3.14	131	-13	1,198	20
STATE	71.3	0.3	2.39	1.43	14.08	2.63	129	-16	1,147	8

¹ Modified Growing degree days, base 50 - ceiling 86

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